

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Mark Leslie Smythe and § Confirmation No.: 8048
Wim Denis Frans Meutermans §
Serial No.: 09/787,840 § Examiner: Kam, Chih-Min
Filed: July 6, 2001 § Group Art Unit: 1653
For: AUXILIARY FOR AMIDE BOND § Atty. Docket No.: **36677.8**
FORMATION §

1. AMENDMENT; 2. RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION DATED JANUARY 8, 2007

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendment. A response to the Official Action in the present application, dated January 8, 2007 ("the Action"), for which the first date for response was April 8, 2007, is also submitted, and the Examiner is requested to consider the remarks therein. Applicants believe that the present materials place the claims in condition for allowance, and re-examination and reconsideration is respectfully requested on this basis.

A Petition for an Extension of Time of One Month, to and including May 8, 2007, is included to render the amendment and response timely submitted. Should any fees be deemed necessary for any reason in connection with the present submission, including the Extension of Time Fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any necessary amounts from Deposit Account No. 08-1394, Order No. 36677.8.